

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all previous listings of claims in this application.

- 1-11. (Canceled)
12. (Currently amended) An extrudable cementitious formulation comprising a cementitious material, ~~optionally~~ optional ingredients selected from the group consisting of with lime, silica, density modifiers, reinforcing fibres and mixtures thereof and water, and 0.3-5% by weight of dry solids of cementitious material of viscosity enhancing agent and 0.05-0.5% by weight of dry solids of cementitious material of a sulphonated dispersion agent, a viscosity enhancing agent and a wherein the quantity of dispersion agent is sufficient to increase the efficacy of the viscosity enhancing agent during extrusion of said cementitious formulation.
13. (Canceled)
14. (Original) A cementitious formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein dispersion agent is added in a quantity sufficient to maintain extrudability with a reduced dosage of viscosity enhancing agent as compared to a conventional dosage.
15. (Original) A cementitious formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein dispersion agent is added in a quantity sufficient to maintain extrudability with a lower grade or lower molecular weight viscosity enhancing agent as compared to a conventional dosage.
16. (Original) A cementitious formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein dispersion agent is added in a quantity sufficient to improve extrudability for a quantity of viscosity enhancing agent substantially equivalent to a conventional dosage.
17. (Original) A cementitious formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein the viscosity enhancing agent is a cellulose ether.
18. (Original) A cementitious formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein the viscosity agent is hydroxy alkyl cellulose, hydroxy alkyl alkyl cellulose, carboxy alkyl cellulose or alkyl cellulose, or mixtures thereof.
19. (Original) A cementitious formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein the viscosity enhancing agent is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy propyl methyl

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cellulose, hydroxy ethyl methyl cellulose, methyl cellulose, hydroxy ethyl cellulose, carboxy methyl cellulose, ethyl cellulose and hydroxy butyl methyl cellulose, or mixtures thereof.

20. (Withdrawn) A cementitious formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein the viscosity enhancing agent is selecting from the group consisting of polyvinyl alcohols, gums include Welan gum, locust bean gum guar gum, sodium alginate, swellable alkali emulsions of acrylic co-polymers, clays or modified clays, polyethylene glycol and acrylic based polymers or mixtures thereof.

21. (Canceled)

22. (Previously presented) A cementitious formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein the dispersion agent is sulphonated melamine formaldehyde.

23-51. (Canceled)